ITEM # <u>35</u>

DATE: <u>08-08-17</u>

## **COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO ALLOW PARKING ON WEST SIDE OF KINGSBURY AVENUE

## BACKGROUND:

At the July 25, 2017 City Council meeting, the City Council referred a request from Habitat for Humanity to allow parking on Kingsbury Avenue across the street from Habitat's retail store. Currently the Municipal Code prohibits parking on the west side of Kingsbury Avenue from Lincoln Way to South Second Street. Habitat has asked that parking be allowed for approximately four vehicles on the west side of the street.

As is evident on the attached photograph, this section of Kingsbury is adjacent to the back side of the Ames Motor Lodge. There will thus be no negative impact on other businesses or residences in the area.

To accomplish this change, a modification to Section 18.31(141) of the Municipal Code is required.

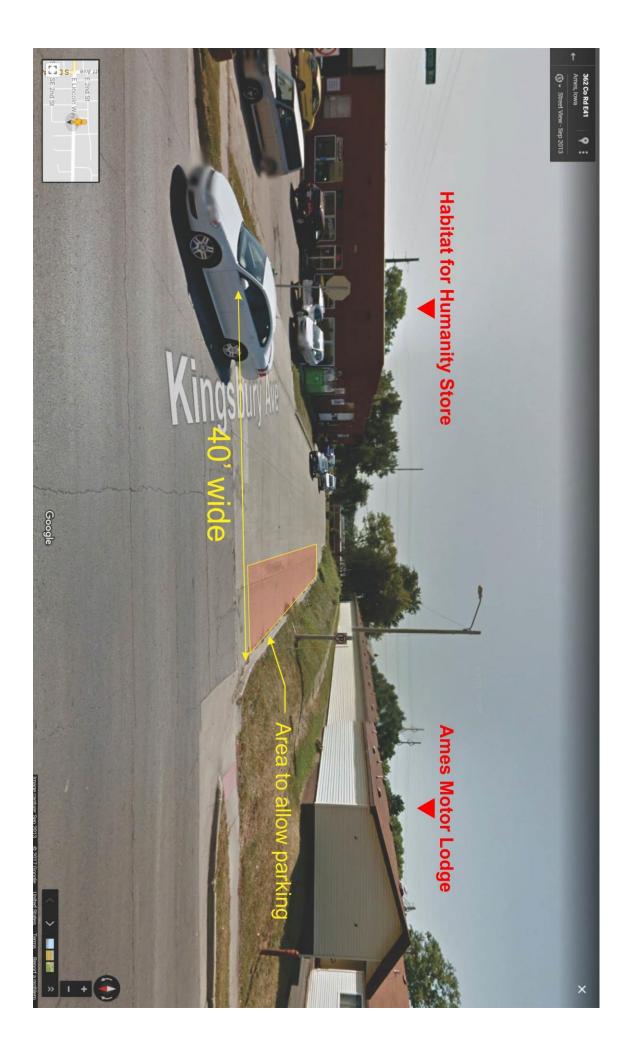
## **ALTERNATIVES**:

- 1. Direct staff to prepare an ordinance allowing parking along the west side of Kingsbury Avenue as requested.
- 2. Do nothing.

## **CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

There is adequate room to accomplish the request for approximately four parking spaces on the west side of Kingsbury Avenue. This added parking will be beneficial to the businesses on the east side of Kingsbury Avenue, including the Habitat store.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1 as described above.





July 20, 2017

Dear Mayor and City Council,

Habitat Store 402 East Lincoln Way Ames, IA 50010

This is a request to allow parking on the west side of Kingsbury Av. where the street is wider. This will allow clients for Habitat Store to park where presently the street is signed NO PARKING. The sign could be moved approximately four stalls to the south where Kingsbury Av. narrows.

Presently the parking on the north side the Habitat is shared with another active store.

Respectfully,

Dan Thomsen Store Manager